

DEATH TO TWELVE IN MINE EXPLOSION

Superintendent Barrowman and
Foreman Are Among
Those Killed.

TWO MINERS TAKEN OUT ALIVE

One Dies Shortly After Reaching
Surface—Second Dis-
aster at Greeno.

Norton, Va., December 14.—Up to a late hour to-night, when rescue work had been stopped on account of atmospheric conditions, nine dead bodies had been brought to the surface and two live miners, one of whom died shortly after being taken out, were rescued from the Greeno Mines of Bond & Bruce, at Tacoma, Wisc. county. Oxygen helmets and other mine-rescue devices are being used. This is the second explosion in these mines in three years, the first one having been of a minor nature.

Norton, Va., December 14.—As a result of an explosion in the mine of the Bond Coal Company, at Greeno, six miles east of here, this morning at 9:30 o'clock, twelve men lost their lives. Thirteen were in the mine at the time of the explosion, and only two escaped, one of whom died shortly after being taken out.

On account of atmospheric and other conditions, the rescue work had to be stopped to-night, and the other two bodies will not be brought out before morning. The names of nine of the dead, all taken out, are:

James Barrowman, superintendent,
William Ritchie, mine foreman,
Lee Rowland,
Charles Williams,
Jessie Ritchie,
Charles Whitaker,
John Rodan,
Arch Leslie,
John Ritchie.

John Ritchie and Charles Rosenbaum were rescued alive, but Ritchie succumbed later to his injuries. Rosenbaum's injuries are slight.

The explosion came without a moment's warning, and it is believed to have been caused by an accumulation of gas, set off by "blowing" coal. The air shaft was thought to be in good condition. A similar explosion occurred in the mine three years ago, in which six men were killed.

As soon as the news of the explosion had spread to other nearby mining operations rescue parties were formed and conveyed to the scene by

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No Further Signals.
When Superintendent Barrowman and his party entered the mine an hour after the explosion they gained some distance within the main opening before they signalled the engineer to stop.

Those outside waited for further signals, but none came. Hours passed, and not a sign or whisper came from the superintendent and his companions, and it is believed they were caught in a storm of heated air and suffocated.

By 2 o'clock in the afternoon four unidentified bodies had been taken out of the mine by daring miners, who entered the shaft with helmets.

Later in the day T. E. Roan, of the Clinchfield Coal Corporation, assumed direction of the rescue work. Just before dark six more bodies were recovered, along with one man whose condition is precarious. He was frightfully burned and bruised.

When the explosion occurred the whistle of the mine was sounded continuously, giving alarm in all the surrounding country. It was heard in the small villages several miles away, and immediately there was a rush of people to the scene.

The Greeno mine produces a soft coal containing a large amount of gas. Mines in the field have been singularly free from serious accidents.

Special trains and private conveyances, but nothing could be done except bring out the dead bodies. Only slight damage was done to the mine.

The Greeno mine, which is owned and operated by Bond & Bruce, is a small operation, employing about thirty-five men.

The wives and children and other relatives of the entombed men were attracted to the scene by the explosion, and, weeping and praying, they have

creating the position of chief clerk or of choosing from the younger engineers some active man who could be made assistant to the city engineer in charge in the office. The division of the city into four or five districts, with an assistant engineer held responsible for supervision of street and sewer work in that section, is also a probable recommendation.

WILSON HAILED AS NEXT PRESIDENT

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Edward M. Shepard, but there was nothing in his manner or his words to indicate that he intended to depart from his announced determination not to inject his office into the canvass.

Mr. Dix was honored in a somewhat unusual manner at a private dinner to-night by congratulations from such stalwart Republicans as Frank S. Black and Benjamin B. Odell, both former Governors; Collector Leeb and two-score editors, bankers, and business men of mixed political beliefs.

Former Governor Hughes and Governor White both sent their regrets. The dinner was given by John A. Sletcher, a New York publisher, who for a number of years has made it a custom to invite the Governor-elect to meet prominent editors and publishers. The talk was purely social, and there were no set speeches. The party included, among others, Major J. C. Hemphill, of Richmond, and Colonel Clark Howell, of Atlanta.

MAY GET INTO COURT.

Radford Councilman Situation is Still Unsettled.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Radford, Va., December 14.—The councilman situation which has distraught this town for some time, seems in a way today to be coming to a head. Petitions are being circulated on the basis of Judge Carter, of the Corporation Court, to declare the Council vacant, and to order a new election. This is on the ground that the Council has held no meeting for three months. The petitioners do not recognize the Council as constituted by the East Ward members, and from which the West Ward members have regularly absented themselves, as being a legally constituted body.

Both sides are fortified by legal opinion, and it appears that only a court's adjudication at that point, or the dissolution of the Council, can unravel the situation.

ATTACKED BY MAD DOG.

Four Patients Leave for Richmond to Take Pasteur Treatment.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Charlottesville, Va., December 14.—Health Officer Robertson received word today from the government laboratory in Washington that the dog which bit several people in the city and county last Friday, was suffering with rabies. The four patients bitten—Bernard Davis and Newton Mooney, of Charlottesville, and James Meison and Guy Craig, of the county, left to-night for Richmond, in order to receive the Pasteur treatment. The dog came from some distance in the county, and bit at least one dog in Charlottesville. This canine was shot to-night.

Mayor Haden has issued an order that all dogs must be muzzled for sixty days.

HEDGES GETS OFFER FOR ST. LOUIS CLUB

New York, December 14.—R. L. Hedges, notified the annual meeting of the American League of Professional Baseball Clubs to-day that he had received an offer for his majority interest in the St. Louis Club, and with the consent of the league, he would accept it. The league appointed a committee to consider the offer and report to-morrow. It was commonly understood that the sale would be approved, and that the St. Louis Americans would change hands.

The identity of the persons making the offer was not made public. The Boston National League Club is also in process of sale, but no definite action was taken to-day. Fred Tenney will be manager next season, no matter who is owner.

Lynch Is Re-Elected.
Thomas J. Lynch was re-elected president of the National League for a term of one year to-day. His acceptance heeded reports that he would not take such a short contract. An effort was made to change the constitution that a president might be elected for more than one year. To do so required an affirmative vote of six of the eight members. On the proposition the vote stood 5 to 3, the "insurgents" defeating it.

The National League appointed a committee to confer with the American League on conflicting Sunday dates with the minor leagues, particularly in the West.

Murphy, Ebbetts and Fogel, with their three votes, against won a victory in defeating a resolution so to amend the constitution that the scheduled committee should be done away with and the league president appoint delegates to form a schedule in conjunction with the American League president. The old schedule committee was reappointed and, in fact, they will confer with Ban Johnson, and

the two will promulgate the schedules for both major leagues.

No More Prizes.
President Lynch, of the National League, reported to-day that during the season there had been twenty-two suspensions, fourteen fines, \$330 in fines collected, and 134 dozen baseballs used. The league adopted a resolution against the acceptance by players

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ers of prizes, such as were contested for by Lajolo and Cobb last season. Under the by-laws of the American League, the old directorate, consisting of representatives from the Boston, New York, Cleveland and Chicago clubs, retired to-day, and representatives of St. Louis, Detroit, Washington and Philadelphia will take their places on the board.

President C. W. Somers, of the American League, was re-elected. The American League appointed President Ban Johnson a committee to frame a schedule of 154 games for next season, beginning April 12, and ending Saturday, October 7, in the East, and Sunday, October 8, in the West. Mr. Johnson will, as usual, confer with the National League committee.

The Baseball Writers' Association of America, at its annual meeting to-day, re-elected its former officers.

The reports of officers indicated that a great amount of good had been accomplished in the transmission of baseball news and in the general "uplift" of the game.

MEETS NEXT IN NORFOLK.
Final Session of Southside Virginia Medical Society.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Suffolk, Va., December 14.—The Southside Virginia Medical Society adjourned last night to meet next year in Norfolk. Three active and three honorary members were received, and three resignations were accepted. Dr. J. B. Jones, of Petersburg, was elected president; Drs. Hunt, Moore, Price and Musgrave, vice-presidents, and Dr. E. F. Reese, secretary and treasurer.

At a card contest last night in the Married People's Bridge Whist Club, in which both sexes participated, all of the prizes were taken by women, the winners being Mrs. Robert W. Withers, Mrs. J. Thornton Withers and Miss E. M. Jones.

WALTER SMITH ARRESTED.
Charged With Voting Illegally in Recent Election in Lynchburg.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., December 14.—Walter Smith, the negro who is charged with voting illegally in the election last Friday, for whose arrest a warrant was issued last Friday morning, was arrested late yesterday on Main Street, and he was locked up pending a trial in the Police Court Friday morning.

It is charged that the negro voted at the First Precinct of the First Ward, and that he is a resident of Campbell county.

BOLLINGER ACQUITTED.
Was Tried on Charge of Killing Will Mebane, Colored.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Danville, Va., December 14.—Alexander Bollinger, white, was acquitted here to-day of the killing of Will Mebane, colored, on the night of December 23, when he was a foreman in the cotton mill here, declared the shooting was an accident. The dead negro is the son of Frank Mebane, who is now in the Chatham jail under sentence of death for killing his wife, who sided with her son in their family quarrels.

Marriages in Washington.
John C. Watts and Annie Herring, both of Richmond.

Will F. Bowles and Sallie W. Jones, both of Amelia county, Va.

Philip H. Slaughter and Susie E. Anderson, both of Rappahannock county, Va.

Lloyd T. Cassell and Amanda B. Cowne, both of Calverton, Va.

OBITUARY
J. William Bailey.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., December 14.—J. William Bailey, aged fifty-eight years, one of the best known business men of the city, who had been ill at the Hygeia Hospital for some weeks, died there yesterday morning. He had been in failing health for a year.

Mr. Bailey was a native of Campbell county, but he came to Lynchburg thirty years ago.

Mr. Bailey is survived by his wife, who was Miss Rose Wilson, of Wallville, and a brother and three sisters, as follows: Joseph L. Bailey, of Lynchburg; Mrs. R. G. Scott and Miss Fannie Bailey, of this city; and Mrs. T. B. Betty, the wife of a well-known Methodist minister, who is located now in Norfolk.

Mrs. Frank P. Staley.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Clifton Forge, Va., December 14.—Mrs. Frank P. Staley, wife of a former well-known business man of this city, who is now with the Pure Food Department of the State government, was found dead in bed in her home this morning. Death is supposed to have been caused by a stroke of paralysis.

Mrs. Staley is survived by her husband, two daughters and four sons. She was a native of Smyth county, but had resided here and at Ronceverte, W. Va., for many years. She was a member of the South Methodist Church.

Oscar M. Sacra.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Spotsylvania, Va., December 14.—Oscar M. Sacra, an old Confederate veteran, aged sixty-four years, died a few days since at his residence near dated in this county, of consumption. He was a Baptist, and is survived by one son and one daughter.

J. Booker Smith.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Staunton, Va., December 14.—J. Booker Smith, a well-known Confederate veteran, after a long illness, died today, aged sixty-five years, leaving a wife.

Mrs. Basil Jones.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Charlottesville, Va., December 14.—News has been received here of the death in Plainfield, N. J., of Mrs. Basil Jones, wife of Basil Jones, son of the late Major Horace Jones, of this city. The interment will take place at Oswego, N. Y., of which place Mrs. Jones was a native.

Jason L. Brinkley.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Suffolk, Va., December 14.—Jason L. Brinkley, a Suffolk merchant, forty-three years old, died last night. A widow, two sisters and two brothers survive him.

Miss Mary Keller.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Harrisonburg, Va., December 14.—Miss Mary Keller, seventy-three years old, a native of New Market, died yesterday in Elkton. She was a daughter of Samuel Keller and a member of a prominent family. She was the last of her family. She was a Methodist.

Luther James Anderson.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., December 14.—Luther James Anderson, of Amherst county, aged sixty-two years, died this afternoon at the Lynchburg Sanatorium of heart disease. He was in the sawmill business, and moved to this section from Augusta county, about two years ago. He leaves six children.

DEATHS
FORD.—Died, at the residence of John L. Miller, 208 1-2 South Pine Street, at 10:30 o'clock last night, MRS. ROSA FORD, widow of Marcus L. Ford, in the sixty-eight year of her age.

Funeral notice later.

TAYLOR.—Entered into rest on Tuesday night, December 13, MARY WATSON TAYLOR, daughter of Henry Taylor, Sr., and the late Mary Watson Taylor, of "Westend," Louisa county, Va.

WADE.—Died, at 1:30 A. M., Wednesday, December 14, at the residence of her cousin, O. P. Redford, at Ginter Park, MISS MARY JANE WADE. Funeral from St. Mark's Episcopal Church THIS THURSDAY at 12 o'clock.

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